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## AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

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Dear Sir:

## Introductory Comments

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on July 24, 2007, having a shortened statutory period for response of three (3) months that expired on October 24, 2007, which was extended for a period of three (3) months that expired on January 24, 2008 under 37 C.F.R. \[ \frac{\$1.136(a)}{1.136(a)}, in which a Notice of Appeal was filed on January 24, 2008, having a period of response of two (2) months set to expire on March 24, 2008, in which a Request for Continued Examination is filed herewith, please enter these amendments and consider the following remarks:

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